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**MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON
EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS**

15 January 1960

Members: Mr. Max Horlick, State
Mr. Richard Bauer, Army
Lt. Robert Bathurst, Navy
Mr. P. Thomas Koines, Navy
Maj. Elias Bacha, Air Force
Mr. John Easton, JCS

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Mr. J. J. Bagnall, Chairman, CIA

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Guests: Mr. Charles Brophy, Jr., Air Force

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1. The minutes of the 17th meeting were approved.
2. The Chairman informed the Committee that he had disagreed with a proposal by Chairman of CODIB that CODIB, CEFLP, and PROCIB engage jointly in preparing a paper on emergency planning.
3. Receipts of ChiCom publications through Hong Kong apparently were back to normal, after cessation during November 1959 caused speculation that the Chinese were imposing, at an early date, the export ban on publications announced for January 1960. Whether the ban will take effect remains to be seen. Receipts through Moscow have shown no change.
4. The Army member noted that the publication Liberation Army Warrior had not appeared on the lists of publications' export media of the USSR or East European Satellites.
5. The Navy member proposed that a letter be drafted by the Chairman thanking [REDACTED] for his services as Secretary of the Committee. The Committee concurred in the proposal.

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NSA, ARMY, NAVY, State reviews completed

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6. The Chairman announced that Planning Research Corporation, under an IBM contract, is surveying the volume of government-wide requirements for translation. Since intelligence community requirements form a significant portion of the total, an associate of the Corporation has asked the Chairman for an estimate of the annual volume of pages required by USIB components. To assist Committee members in preparing their individual estimates, the Chairman distributed tabular forms providing spaces for page estimates by category, language, area, type, and source. Estimates will be collated later without identification of individual USIB components. Members agreed to submit their estimates by 19 February. In return for USIB figures, Planning Research Corporation has offered to provide the Chairman with figures on total U.S. Government translation requirements, and provide copies of machine runs being made by pages, languages, and subjects, on the Consolidated Translation Survey.

7. Kloc Scientific and Technical Program

State Department and Air Force members had no specific comments on the program.

Army

Army analysts are generally well pleased with both quality and format of the scientific reporting. However, one group of analysts whose requirements cut across several disciplines, found the use of the Scientific Information Report time consuming in its present format and recommended in order of preference:

- a. Return to old format, if possible,
- b. Introduction of a "highlights" section in present format,
- c. Inclusion, or attachment of an intelligence index.

The Chairman observed that reinstatement of the old format, involving a change in classification, was not feasible since QTS offers the publication on subscription. On the other hand, some adjustments to provide highlights or indexes may be possible. The problem will be studied with QTS.

The Army member reported analysts' general satisfaction with the author index of the QTS, and expressed interest in a semiannual index of the SIR according to institutes, authors, and general subject headings.

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Navy

Navy is well satisfied with present content coverage and format.

NSA

NSA is well pleased with the current program and has no suggestions for change. The NSA member submitted a memorandum for the record listing in priority order the NSA requirements for abstracts and translations of Soviet scientific and technical journals. NSA specifically requested complete translation of Vestnik Svyazi and Voyennyi Svyazist, to include letters-to-the editor. The Chairman suggested that some member might be willing to provide the funds necessary for this project, whereupon the NSA member stated he thought NSA might have the required funds.

CIA

CIA expressed satisfaction with content of the current program, but would appreciate an accelerated dissemination of reports.

8. The State Department member announced that the Indexes of La Stampa and Le Monde, which were displaced from the JPRS program by reports of higher priority, had been determined to be so important to State analysts that their reinstatement in the program would be urged by memorandum to the Committee. The Chairman observed that reinstatement of the Indexes could only be accomplished by dropping some part of the present JPRS program.

9. The Chairman introduced the following new or revised reports to the Committee:

Weekly Report on Communist China
Data on Industrial Plants in Communist China
USSR Electric and Precision Equipment Manufacturers

10. The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. The next meeting will be held 19 February 1960 in Room 1121 M Building

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Conference Room - 1121 M Building
Friday, 19 February 1960 at 1400 hours

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1. Minutes of the eighteenth meeting.
 2. Survey of USIB Translation Requirements
 3. The Eastern Europe Program

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